

The
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Child Support
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**Family
Violence
and Child
Support**



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***I am worried someone will hurt my children or me,
What are my Options?***

If you or your children are in danger you can get help. Physical abuse by one person against another is a crime. It also can force a parent to make difficult decisions about child support. Although the Division of Child Support (DCS) would like to collect the money owed to every family, the safety of the family must come first. The list below offers some options to consider when making decisions about child support in light of family violence.

You can tell the police.

Harming another person is against the law. You can call your local police department and file a report.

If you have left home and have to go back to retrieve clothes or belongings, you may ask the police to accompany you.

You can apply to participate in the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP).

The ACP protects victims of family violence by concealing home, school, and work addresses.

ACP will:

- Give you a substitute mailing address and help you use it.
- Forward your first class mail from the substitute address to your home.
- Assist you in getting many state and local agency services without revealing your address.
- Help you vote or marry without having those records available to the public.

Find out about the ACP by calling 1-800-822-1065

If you receive public assistance, you can get permission not to help collect child support.

When a child or custodian are in danger, the child or you may claim “Good Cause”. that it is A custodian may claim Good Cause when signing up for assistance, or any time afterward. Based on information provided by the custodian, the public assistance office decides if a person has good cause not to cooperate.

The public assistance office may decide that DCS will stop all establishment and enforcement action on your case. They might decide instead that DCS should continue enforcement action on your case. Good Cause is granted for a specific length of time and must be renewed if the danger to you or your children remains.

If you do not receive public assistance, you can stop enforcement of the child support order.

Nonassistance custodians can stop DCS from working their case. At your request, we will take no action to collect support owed to you. If the noncustodial parent owes some of the debt to Washington State, DCS will continue to collect these arrears. the custodian may request a Conference Board if the collection of arrears by DCS endangers the family.

To stop enforcement of your case, contact your Support Enforcement Officer.

If a child support order exists, a child support debt continues to accrue, even when DCS does not collect.

In both public assistance and non assistance cases, asking DCS to stop collecting does not end the other parent’s responsibility to pay child support. If a child support order exists, the noncustodial parent still owes that amount each month. Unpaid support is a debt that you may be able to collect later.

You can ask a court to grant a civil order of protection.

A court can order an offender to stay away from you or the children. A person violating a court order is subject to punishment by the court. If you have an order of protection, you can expect police protection.

Some county courts have a Domestic Violence Unit to help you through this process. Some can help you with filing the necessary documents to obtain an order of protection.

Others have advocates to help you in court.

You can ask for a new Social Security number

Some victims seeking to elude their abuser and reduce the risk of further violence choose to establish a new identity. As part of that effort, the Social Security Administration allows victims to obtain a new Social Security number (SSN). To ask for a new SSN, apply in person at any Social Security Administration Office. In addition, you may want to consider changing your name, getting an unlisted telephone number, changing jobs, or moving to another area.

Washington State Domestic Violence Resources

National

National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

1-800-787-3224 (TDD)

Statewide

Washington State Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-562-6025 V/TTY

Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence

8645 Martin Way NE, Suite 103

Lacey, WA 98516

(360) 407-0756

(360) 407-0760 (TDD)

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Washington State Address Confidentiality Program

P.O. Box 69
Olympia, WA 98507-0069
1-800-822-1065
1-800-664-9677 (TDD)

Domestic Violence Perpetrator Treatment Program

Certification (DSHS)
P.O. Box 45710
Olympia, WA 98504-5710
(360) 902-7901

County	Program	Business Line	Crisis Line
Adams/Grant	Our Place P.O. Box 1394 Moses Lake, WA 98837	(509) 765-9239	(509) 765-1717
Asotin/Garfield	YWCA of Lewiston 300 Main Street Lewiston, ID 83501	(208) 743-1535	(208) 746-9655 1-800-669-3176
Benton/Franklin	Columbia Basin Domestic Violence Svcs. 5917 W. Clearwater Ave Kennewick, WA 99352	(509) 735-2271	(509) 582-9841 1-800-648-1277
Chelan/Douglas	Phoenix Place P.O. Box 2704 Wenatchee, WA 98807	(509) 663-1952	(509) 663-7446
Chelan/Douglas	Women's Resource Center P.O. Box 2051 Wenatchee, WA 98801	(509) 662-0121 - Bruce Transitional Housing - (509) 662-2485	(509) 664-8405
Clallam	Forks Abuse Program P.O. Box 1775 Forks, WA 98331	(360) 374-6411	(360) 374-2273
	Healthy Families of Clallam County 1914 W. 18th Pt. Angeles, WA 98363	(360) 452-3811	(360) 452-HELP (360) 452-4357
Clallam	Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe 2851 Lower Elwha Road Port Angeles, WA 98363	(360) 452-8471	

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<i>Clallam</i>	<i>Makah Domestic Violence Program P.O. Box 115 Neah Bay, WA 98357</i>	<i>(360) 645-3251</i>	
<i>Clark</i>	<i>YWCA of Clark County 3609 Main Street Vancouver, WA 98663</i>	<i>(360) 696-0167 1-800-695-0167</i>	<i>(360) 695-0501</i>
<i>Columbia</i>	<i>Columbia County Svcs P.O. Box 30 Dayton, WA 99328</i>	<i>(509) 382-2527 Business & Crisis Line</i>	
<i>Cowlitz</i>	<i>Emergency Support Shelter P.O. Box 877 Kelso, WA 98626</i>	<i>(360) 425-1176</i>	<i>(360) 636-8471</i>
<i>Ferry</i>	<i>Ferry County Com. Svcs Connections 42 Klondike Road Republic, WA 99166</i>	<i>(509) 775-3331</i>	<i>(509) 775-3132</i>
<i>Grays Harbor</i>	<i>Domestic Violence Center of Grays Harbor 2306 Sumner Ave. Hoquiam, WA 98550</i>	<i>(360) 538-0733</i>	<i>1-800-818-2194</i>
<i>Island</i>	<i>Citizens Against Domestic Abuse P.O. Box 190 Oak Harbor, WA 98277</i>	<i>(360) 675-7781</i>	<i>(360) 675-2232</i>
<i>Jefferson</i>	<i>Domestic Violence Program of Jefferson County P.O. Box 743 Pt. Townsend, WA 98638</i>	<i>(360) 385-5291</i>	<i>(360) 385-5291</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Abused Deaf Women's Advocacy Services 2627 Eastlake Ave. E. Seattle, WA 98102</i>	<i>(206) 726-0093 TDD Only</i>	<i>(206) 236-3134 TDD Only</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Advocates for Abused and Battered Lesbians P.O. Box 85596 Seattle, WA 98105</i>	<i>(206) 547-8191</i>	
<i>King</i>	<i>Asian/Pacific Islander Women & Family Safety Center P.O. Box 14047 Seattle, WA 98114</i>	<i>(206) 467-9976</i>	

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<i>King</i>	<i>Broadview Emergency Shelter P.O. Box 31151 Seattle, WA 98103</i>	<i>(206) 622-3108</i>	<i>(206) 299-2500</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Catherine Booth House P.O. Box 20128 Seattle, WA 98102</i>	<i>(206) 324-7271</i>	<i>(206) 324-4943</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Consejo Counseling & Referral Service 3808 S. Angeline Seattle, WA 98118</i>	<i>(206) 461-4880</i>	
<i>King</i>	<i>Domestic Abuse Women's Network P.O. Box 1521 Kent, WA 98032</i>	<i>(425) 656-4305</i>	<i>(425) 656-7867</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Eastside Domestic Violence Program P.O. Box 6398 Bellevue, WA 98003</i>	<i>(425) 562-8840</i>	<i>(425) 746-1940 1-800-827-8840</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Muckleshoot Indian Tribe P.O. Box 1136 Auburn, WA 98071</i>	<i>(253) 939-3311</i>	
<i>King</i>	<i>New Beginnings P.O. Box 75125 Seattle, WA 98125</i>	<i>(206) 783-4520</i>	<i>(206) 522-9472</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Northwest Immigrant Rights Project 909 8th Avenue Seattle, WA 98104</i>	<i>(206) 587-4009</i>	
<i>King</i>	<i>Refugee Women's Alliance 3004 S. Alaska Seattle, WA 98108</i>	<i>(206) 721-0243</i>	
<i>King</i>	<i>Seattle Counseling Service for Sexual Minorities 1820 E. Pine Seattle, WA 98122</i>	<i>(206) 323-1768</i>	<i>(206) 461-3222 King County Crisis Line</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Seattle Indian Health Board 611 12th Avenue South Seattle, WA 98144</i>	<i>(206) 324-9360</i>	

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<i>King</i>	<i>United Indians of All Tribes/Ina Maka 1945 Yale Place E. Seattle, WA 98102</i>	<i>(206) 325-0070</i>	
<i>King</i>	<i>YWCA of Seattle 1118 5th Avenue Seattle, WA 98101</i>	<i>(206) 461-4876</i>	<i>(206) 461-3660 Seattle Emergency Housing</i>
<i>Kitsap</i>	<i>Suquamish Tribe P.O. Box 498 Suquamish, WA 98392</i>	<i>(360) 598-3311</i>	
<i>Kitsap</i>	<i>YWCA of Kitsap County P.O. Box 559 Bremerton, WA 98337</i>	<i>(360) 876-1608</i>	<i>(360) 479-1980</i>
<i>Kittitas</i>	<i>Domestic Violence/ Sexual Assault Program 220 W. 4th Ellensburg, WA 98926</i>	<i>(509) 925-9861 or (509) 925-9384</i>	<i>(509) 925-4168</i>
<i>Klickitat</i>	<i>Programs for Peaceful Living P.O. Box 1486 White Salmon, WA 98672</i>	<i>(509) 493-1533</i>	<i>1-800-866-9372 1-800-866-9373</i>
<i>Lewis</i>	<i>Human Response Network P.O. Box 337 Chehalis, WA 98532</i>	<i>(360) 748-1429</i>	<i>(360) 748-6601 1-800-244-7414</i>
<i>Lincoln</i>	<i>Family Resource Center P.O. Box 1130 Davenport, WA 99122</i>	<i>(509) 725-4358</i>	<i>(509) 725-4357</i>
<i>Mason</i>	<i>MCCAN Domestic Violence Program 428 W. Birch, #3 Shelton, WA 98584</i>	<i>(360) 426-5430</i>	<i>Pg. (888) 341-7922 1-888-222-3664</i>
<i>Mason</i>	<i>Turning Point</i>	<i>426-1216</i>	<i>(877) 432-1212</i>
<i>Okanogan</i>	<i>The Support Center P.O. Box 3639 Omak, WA 98841</i>	<i>(509) 826-3221</i>	<i>Business & Crisis Line 1-888-826-3221</i>
<i>Pacific</i>	<i>Crisis Support Network 2 Appelo Lane Naselle, WA 98638</i>	<i>(360) 484-7191</i>	<i>1-800-435-7276</i>
<i>Pend Orielle</i>	<i>Family Crisis Network P.O. Box 944 Newport, WA 99156</i>	<i>(509) 447-2274</i>	<i>(509) 447-5483</i>

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Pierce	Puyallup Tribe of Indians 2002 E. 28th Street Tacoma, WA 98404	(253) 573-7800	
Pierce	YWCA of Pierce County 405 Broadway Tacoma, WA 98402	(253) 383-2593	(253) 383-2593
San Juan	Domestic Violence Services of the San Juan Islands P.O. Box 3175 Friday Harbor, WA 98250	(360) 378-8680 (360) 376-5979	(360) 378-2345 Orcas Is (360) 376-1234 Lopez Is (360) 468-4567
Skagit	Skagit Rape Relief and Battered Women's Services P.O. Box 301 Mt. Vernon, WA 98273	(360) 336-9591	(800) 726-6010
Skamania	Skamania County Council on Domestic Violence P.O. Box 477 Stevenson, WA 98648	(509) 427-4210	(877) 427-4210 (509) 427-4210
Snohomish	Snohomish County Center for Battered Women P.O. Box 7 Everett, WA 98206-0007	(425) 259-2827	(425) 252-2873
Spokane	YWCA of Spokane Alternatives to Domestic Violence Program 829 W. Broadway Spokane, WA 99201	(509) 326-1190	(509) 326-2255
Stevens	Family Support Center 9565 Main St. Colville, WA 99114	(509) 684-3796	(509) 684-6139
Stevens/Okanogan	Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation P.O. Box 150 Nespelem, WA 99155	(509) 634-4711 (509) 634-2500	
Thurston	Safeplace P.O. Box 1605 Olympia, WA 98507	(360) 786-8754	(360) 754-6300
Thurston	South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency SE 2750 Old Olympic Highway Shelton, WA 98584	(360) 426-3990	(360) 490-5713

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Wahkiakum	Wahkiakum County Human Services 42 Elochoman Road Cathlamet, WA 98612	(360) 795-8630	(360) 795-8630
Walla Walla	YWCA of Walla Walla 213 S. 1st Walla Walla, WA 99362	(509) 525-2570	(509) 529-9922
Whatcom	Lummi Victims of Crime 2616 Kwina Road Bellingham, WA 98226	(360) 384-1489	(360) 384-2285
Whatcom	Nooksack Indian Tribe 1827 Marine Drive Bellingham, WA 98226 P.O. Box 157 Deming, WA 98244	(360) 592-5176	
Whatcom	Whatcom County Crisis Services 1407 Commercial St. Bellingham, WA 98225	(360) 671-5714	(360) 715-1563 For Sexual Assault & Domestic Viol.
Whatcom	Womencare Shelter 2217 Woburn Bellingham, WA 98226	(360) 671-8539	(360) 734-3438
Whitman	Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse P.O. Box 37 Pullman, WA 99163	(WA) (509) 332-0552 (Idaho) (208) 882-2490	(509) 332-4357 (208) 883-4357
Yakima	Immigration Project P.O. Box 800 Granger, WA 98932	(509) 854-2100	
Yakima	Lower Valley Crisis & Support Services P.O. Box 93 Sunnyside, WA 98944	(509) 837-6689	(509) 837-6689
Yakima	YWCA of Yakima 15 N. Naches Yakima, WA 98901	(509) 248-7796	(509) 248-7796

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